



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re PATENT APPLICATION OF

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Application Serial No. 09/666,189

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Title: BALLISTIC-RESISTANT MOULDED ARTICLE AND A PROCESS FOR THE MANUFACTURING ARTICLE

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Examiner: Arti R. Singh

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January 7, 2003

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the communication issued November 27, 2002, and at the request of the Examiner in charge of this application, Applicants reaffirm the prior election, filed October 8, 2002, without traverse, of Group I, Claims 1-7 drawn to the ballistic resistant article. Withdrawal of the Patent and Trademark Office's communication of November 27, 2002 is respectfully requested.

After reviewing the file, the Examiner has determined that the Patent and Trademark Office incorrectly transferred a Preliminary Amendment from the parent application to the current application, causing confusion for the Examiner upon receipt of Applicants' submission of October 8, 2002. In order to clarify which claims are to be prosecuted in the present application, the Examiner requested Applicants to resubmit its Response to Restriction Requirement previously submitted.

In view of the foregoing, the claims are now believed to be in form for allowance, and such action is hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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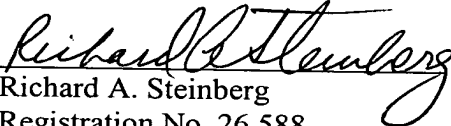
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All objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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